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SUBJ: TRADE INFORMATION

1. AS ADDRESSEE POSTS ARE AWARE, AT THE MEXICO CITY MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, THE SECRETARY OFFERED TO SEND THE PRESIDENT'S DEPUTY SPECIAL TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, AMBASSADOR HAROLD MALMGREN, TO CONSULT WITH LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES ON WAYS OF COORDINATING OUR MUTUAL TRADE INTERESTS AT THE ONGOING MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS. IN PREPARATION FOR AMBASSADOR MALMGREN'S MEETING-

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ING WITH CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT, POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON HOST COUNTRIES POSITION VIS-A-VIS TRADE NEGOTIATION ISSUES TO BE INCLUDED IN BACKGROUND PAPERS BEING PREPARED BY ARA, FOR AMB. MALMGREN AND FOR LATER MTN SESSIONS. INFORMATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY COB, MARCH 28. DEPT RECOGNIZES THAT CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES MAY NOT HAVE FULLY DEVELOPED THEIR POSITIONS OR FOCUSED ON THESE MATTERS AS FULLY AS MAJOR TRADING STATES, BUT WE DO NEED TO HAVE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

2. INFORMATION REQUESTED SHOULD BE IN FOLLOWING FORMAT:

A. TRADE ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE UNITED STATES.

(1) PARTICIPATION IN MTN - DOES HOST COUNTRY INTEND TO PARTICIPATE?

(2) ACCESSION TO GATT - IS HC A MEMBER OF GATT? IF NOT, WHAT ARE ITS VIEWS ON BECOMING A MEMBER?

(3) RECIPROCITY - DOES HC BELIEVE IT HAS AN OBLIGATION TO GIVE RECIPROCAL TRADE CONCESSIONS IN RETURN FOR CONCESSIONS RECEIVED AT MTN.

(4) TARIFFS - ANTICIPATED REQUESTS FOR TARIFF CONCESSIONS FROM US LIST PRODUCTS WITH TSUS NUMBER IF POSSIBLE.

(5) NON-TARIFF BARRIERS - WHAT US MEASURES DOES HC VIEW AS NON-TARIFF BARRIERS? LIST AFFECTED PRODUCTS, WITH TSUS NUMBER.

(6) SAFEGUARDS - DOES HC HAVE A POSITION ON DEVELOPED COUNTRY TEMPORARY PROTECTION MEASURES, SUCH AS IMPORT QUOTAS, ORDERLY MARKETING AGREEMENTS ETC?

(7) COMMODITY ARRANGEMENTS - WILL HC RAISE ANY COMMODITY ARRANGEMENT ISSUES IN MTN?

(8) OTHER ISSUES - SUCH AS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, LIBERALIZATION OF AGRICULTURAL TRADE, AND ROLE OF MULTI-NATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE?

B. TRADE ISSUES VIS-A-VIS OTHER COUNTRIES:

(1) US AND EC - HOW WILL HC APPROACH SUCH ISSUES AS COMMONWEALTH PREFERENCES, DOLLAR AREA QUOTAS, EC AGRICULTURAL POLICY, ETC. IN THE MTN?
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(2) JAPAN - WHAT ISSUES, IF ANY, WILL HC RAISE WITH RESPECT TO JAPAN?

3. NAMES OF PRINCIPLE HC OFFICIALS WHO INFLUENCE TRADE POLICY AND NEGOTIATIONS.

4. TO THE EXTENT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED INFORMATION ON THESE ITEMS REMAINS CURRENT, POSTS SHOULD CITE REFERENCES.
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